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FM AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 610

UNCLAS BRASILIA 7953

PASS TREASURY FOR ROBERT G. LAWRENCE, JR. OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ALLOW, BR

SUBJECT: PERMANENT HOUSING FOR FINANCIAL ATTACHE

1. EMBASSY UNABLE TO AT THIS TIME TO PROVIDE EXACT ANNUAL COST FOR HOUSING FOR FINANCIAL ATTACHE DE FALCO SINCE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE NOT RPT NOT YET BEEN MADE. HOWEVER, WE CAN GIVE ESTIMATES, BASED ON WHAT EMBASSY CURRENTLY PAYING FOR HOUSING COMPARABLE TO THAT TO BE FOUND FOR DE FALCO. ESTIMATES ARE AS FOLLOW: (ALL FIGUES ARE IN U.S. DOLLARS EQUIVALENT AT 6.12 CURZEIROS PER DOLLAR.)

MONTHLY	
RENT#	\$ 898.69
ELECTRICITY	63.72
GAS	6.53
WATER	31.67
MAINTENANCE	19.60
CONDOMINIUM	57.18
TOTAL MONTHLY	\$1,077.39

#BASED ON ONE YEAR RENT PAID IN ADVANCE; SEE PARA 3, BELOW.

INITIAL COSTS

PLUMBING	\$ 98.03
ELECTRICITY	196.07

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PAINTING	490.19
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SCREENS	294.11
DRAPES, ETC.	1,000.00
TOTAL	\$2,078.40

TOTAL ANNUAL COST (ESTIMATE)

RENT	\$12,928.68
INITIAL COST (FIRST	
YEAR ONLY)	2,078.40
	\$15,007.08

2. THE ABOVE FIGURES MEET GUIDELINES OF THE EMBASSY HOUSING COMMITTEE, CHAIRED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, WITH ULTIMATE AUTHORITY RESTING WITH THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMITTEE IS TO DETERMINE CRITERIA AND SET PRICES FOR APPROPRIATE LIVING QUARTERS FOR EMBASSY STAFF WORKING IN BRASILIA, WHERE HOUSING COSTS ARE EXTREMELY HIGH.

3. TO FACILITATE MATTERS, WE MUST REQUEST THAT TREASURY ADVANCE ASAP THE \$15,007.08 INITIAL AND ANNUAL COST TO THE EMBASSY DISBURSING OFFICER. IT IS THE PRACTICE HERE IN BRASILIA TO PAY ONE FULL YEAR'S RENT IN ADVANCE IN EXCHANGE FOR 10 PERCENT DISCOUNT ON BASIC RENT. WE SUPPOSE TREASURY WOULD WISH TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS DISCOUNT. EMBASSY FINANCES ARE VERY TIGHT AND CANNOT MEET SUCH AN OUTLAY. THEREFORE, WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SIGN CONTRACT FOR DE FALCO'S HOUSING UNTIL WE RECEIVE MONEY. EMBASSY WILL SETTLE REMAINING BALANCE BETWEEN ACTUAL COSTS AND ABOVE ESTIMATES AT END OF FISCAL YEAR.

4. PLEASE NOTIFY US VIA CABLE WHEN CHECK SENT, GIVING ITS DATE AND NUMBER.
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